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RESPONSE B

This document is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 3, 2007. In view of the remarks and amendments in this response, Applicants ask the Examiner to reconsider her position regarding obviousness.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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